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Colonel Kimberly Colloton
District Engineer
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
915 Wilshire Boulevard, 15th Floor
Los Angeles, CA 90017

Re: Accelerated and Contributed Funds for the East San Pedro Bay Ecosystem Restoration Feasibility Study

Dear Colonel Colloton:

The City of Long Beach is formally requesting the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) to amend the existing Feasibility Cost Share Agreement (FCSA) for the East San Pedro Bay Ecosystem Restoration Study to allow the Corps to accept accelerated and contributed funds for this project.

As the local-sponsor of the East San Pedro Bay Ecosystem Restoration Study, the City of Long Beach is very interested in re-scoping and beginning feasibility study activities. The purpose of the feasibility study is to evaluate opportunities for ecosystem restoration, improved recreational water quality, and increased recreational opportunities within the East San Pedro Bay. Community interest in the East San Pedro Bay Ecosystem Restoration Study also remains high. On March 12, 2013, the Long Beach City Council authorized the City to accelerate 100 percent of the City's cost share, as well as contribute up to \$750,000 for the federal cost-share to allow the study to begin; these monies have been set aside and funds are immediately available.

Given these reasons, the City of Long Beach is requesting an Amendment to our Feasibility Study Cost-Sharing Agreement (FCSA) to allow for accelerated and contributed Funds for the East San Pedro Bay Ecosystem Restoration Study. Per the Army Corps' policy, the City recognizes that no repayment or credit for contributed funds is authorized with this amendment, and understands that federal acceptance of such accelerated and contributed funds does not constitute or imply any federal commitment to budget or appropriate funds for the project in the future.

Sincerely,

Patrick H. West CITY MANAGER

c: The Honorable Jo-Ellen Darcy, Assistant Secretary for Civil Works

Brigadier General David Turner, South Pacific Division, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Bradd Schwichtenberg, Civil Deputy, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers